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The President's Corner

By Doug Jennings

Beginning with this issue of *The Silver Bugle*, the club will start sending its newsletter in an envelope. This will hopefully cut down on the number of ripped &/or ruined copies of *The Silver Bugle*. Unfortunately, the club may also have to consider a dues increase to cover the increase in postage costs. Please feel free to let me know what you think.

I know this is starting to sound like a broken record, but when you don't have much of a social life &/or numismatic outlet, this weekend (May 10-12) was heaven.

It started Friday morning. I had planned to drive to East Lansing, the home of Michigan State University (my alma mater) for a leisurely day of inspecting auction lots and perusing the bourse floor for additions to my collections, maybe even take a walk around MSU's campus. The Michigan State Numismatic Society (MSNS) holds its spring show in E. Lansing at the Kellogg Convention Center, which just happens to be across the street from Emmons Hall where I lived my freshman year at State ('68-69)(and no, that's not 1868-1869). Instead I received a phone call asking me to sub as a para-professional at Dundee Middle School. I just retired from teaching this year after 29 years of teaching 8th grade English and middle school journalism. The district has trouble finding para-pro subs, so I put my plan of spending the day at the MSNS show on hold. After subbing all day, I blasted off for E. Lansing at 3:15. Pushing the 70 m.p.h. limit to its maximum, I arrived at the Kellogg Center by 4:35, 84 miles one way –you do the math. I went directly to the auction viewing area to begin inspecting auction lots. There were plenty that I was interested in, including a Franklin Mint-John Pinches Silver Kings and Queens of England Medal Collection c. 1970's. It consisted of 43 beautiful brilliant proof, sterling silver, 45mm. medals comprised of portraits on the obverse and coat-of-arms on the reverse. The medals were housed in a deluxe oversized album and were accompanied by historical pamphlets describing the kings and queens. It was just the kind of lot this old vulture looks for. The pre-sale estimate was $175-$200. I'm thinking this lot will open for $150 and maybe as a collector I can get it for $160. WRONG! It opened at $200 and I was left with nowhere to go. Whitford Auctions charge a 12.5% buyer's fee and as a Michigan non-dealer resident I would have to pay 6% sales tax and a 3% credit card fee to charge my purchases. (Plus, I would have to pay a 100% Mother's Day fee to justify this outlandish purchase.) So that put it at $241. That's still only $6 a medal, but I don't know anyone who would have bought it from me for that price. Being a collector and not a dealer has its drawbacks. I did pick up an unusual German pattern coin (Sch.297aGI). It's a 1-pfennig made of black fiber sandwiched on a red composite core. I also picked up 4 Karl Goetz medals and a WWII German cigarette card album at the Friday night auction.

Now here's the kicker. The Saturday evening auction promised to be even better. It was anchored by 34 lots from a direct descendant of George T. Morgan, chief engraver of the Philadelphia mint. Also, a large silver ingot stamped .999 fine and measuring 30x25x15mm. and weighing 124.4 grams was offered. This unusual silver piece was from the National Bank of Detroit Money Museum Collection. There was also an 1874 trade dollar love token, HK449 Wilson dollar, and HK876 Denver Mint piece that interested me. Unfortunately, I couldn't come back Saturday for the auction because I had committed to showing my 1970 Chevrolet Chevelle SS 396 at a car show at the Dundee Vets Club that day. And with Sunday being Mother's Day instead of Father's Day, I had to follow Bonnie's wishes for Sunday so I didn't get back to the MSNS show.

After auction viewing I did have time to make a couple of quick stops on my way out the door at two of my favorite TAMS dealers. I picked up a couple of American Legion medals, 2 Pythian medals, 2 Dundee, Michigan tokens, 1 Deerfield, Michigan token, 1 Lake Orion, Michigan token, a German POW camp token, and something related to silver rounds, a Monroe, Michigan Coin Club-Dr. Heath medal. I think Lou Kretovics collects silver pieces that relate to coin clubs and this one has special significance for me because I was a part of the Monroe Coin Club when we minted these medals. On the obverse is the Monroe Coin Club logo, which includes a bust of Dr. Heath, the founder of the ANA and *The Numismatist*. Dr. Heath was the mayor Monroe and is buried in Woodlawn Cemetery in Monroe, Michigan. These and a few other facts are included on the reverse of this sterling silver medal.

Another thing I did manage to notice about silver bars/rounds offered for sale were the large number that had New York City and World Trade Center connections. A lot of these had decals applied in color. I didn't have time to inspect any because the bourse floor was closing, so I can't comment on the quality. I didn't see any enameled bars or rounds, but when you are walking as fast as I had been driving, everything becomes a blur.

I'll try to write more on silver bars/rounds next time. Until then,

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You're invited to
the 2002 IASAC meeting
September 19-22
at the greater Cincinnati Numismatic
Exposition in Sharonville, Ohio

Secretary-Treasurer's Report 6/02

There is much to report. First of all, you'll notice that the *Bugle* is coming to you in an envelope for the first time. Archie Kidd and his office manager Cindy Still figured out a way to send the newsletter by bulk mail in order to keep the cost down. We owe them BIG thank you! Please email me when you receive your copy, so we can track how long it takes for the mail to arrive.

Also of note, we have quite a few new members, thanks in large part to several member-dealers (Ken Potter, Michael Sprouse and Phil & Vi Asher) who have a membership application posted on their websites. However, the bad news is that we've dropped 30 names from the roster, due to non-payment of dues. Many of them were long-time members, but the majority were only in the club for a couple of years. We'll try to reinstate as many as we can. Doug Jennings will be sending a letter soon to try and woo them back.

Our annual meeting is scheduled for September 19-22 in conjunction with the Greater Cincinnati Numismatic Exposition in Sharonville, Ohio. Archie and Cindy are helping with the planning, since the show is in their back yard. Archie is checking on having our dinner meeting at a quaint country inn that has been in business since 1803, hosting 12 U.S. presidents over the years. Cindy sent info on a train ride to the town of Lebanon, Ohio; rated one of the 10 best spots in the U.S. to browse for antiques. You can check it out for yourself at www.lebanonantiques.com. We'll have a complete list of activities in the August *Bugle*.

Motels in the immediate vicinity of the coin show are the Signature Inn, 11365 Chester Road, Sharonville OH 45246 (phone513-772-7877) and the Super 8 Motel, 11335 Chester Road (phone 513-772-3140). There is a more comprehensive list of motels in the area. Write for details.

The club will not have a table on the bourse floor. It had been sold out for months when we inquired last summer. Instead, we will have *The Silver Bugle* available for coin show patrons in the lobby. Our meeting will take place in the evening, giving IASAC members ample opportunity to tour the bourse at leisure. We'll need to have a show & tell for everyone to display his or her finds

Trustees for the 2002-2004 term are due to be elected soon and the ballot will be in the next newsletter. Now is the time to send your resume and a brief statement if you'd like to run for office. It's really not a difficult job. We need your input!

One of the jobs of the trustees and officers involves choosing the bar/round design for the yearly club issue. We are in the process of doing that right now, and an order form will be included in the August issue of *The Silver Bugle.*

I recently received an email from a friend, which inspired the June wedding theme for the Brain Teaser. The email was all about history in the 1500's. Here's a portion of it.

Next time you are washing your hands and complain because the water temperature isn't just how you like it, think about how things used to be...Here are some facts about the 1500's:

Most people got married in June because they took their yearly bath in May and still smelled pretty good by June.

However, they were starting to smell, so brides carried a bouquet of flowers to hide the body odor.

Baths consisted of a big tub filled with hot water. The man of the house had the privilege of then nice clean water, then all the other sons and men, then the women and finally the children-last of all the babies.

By then the water was so dirty you could actually lose someone in it-hence the saying, "Don't throw the baby out with the bath water."

Have a rosy summer! IasacNancy@cs.com

Here's the last entry in the *Wauna Win This?* contest. The winner will be announced in the August *Bugle*.

I got started on silver art bars late in 1976 while conducting some banking business at the First Dallas Savings & Loan here in Dallas. I noticed some oblong sparkling objects of silver on a desk in the foyer. Letting my curiosity get the best of me, I picked one up and saw a Coke bottle's outline. This was my first "Coke" bar. I bought one for myself and one for my wife at $9.95 each. During the following years I purchased a few more plus some other bars that appealed to me. After I retired in 1990 I started concentrating more on my collections I am now trying to complete my Hamilton gold-plated states bars set I am also continuing to work on the Coca-Cola bars, having now acquired about 40 I'm not sure what a complete set would consist of, as new types keep surfacing. It is a fascinating pastime.

D.V. Byrant #367

Treasury Update

Previous Balance	**$2606.98**
Income	
New memberships/renewals	$ 255.00
Book sales	259.13
Advertising	42.40
Cash donations	34.60
	$ 591.13
Expenses	
Postage	$ 182.07
Printing, April *Bugle*	169.49
Coin World subscription	36.95
Miscellaneous office supplies	89.69
	$ 478.20
New Balance	**$2719.91**

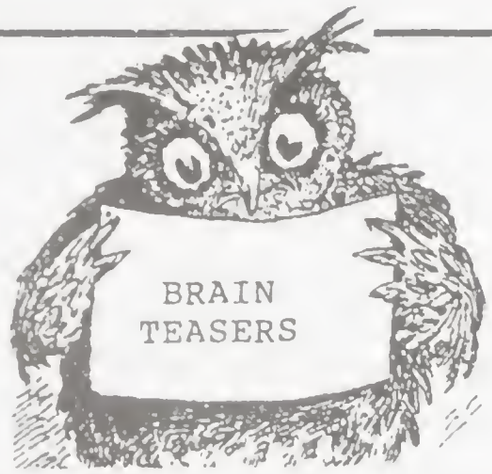
Thanks to **Doug Vining, Shawn Manley, Frank Kissel, Michael Sprouse, Bob Brown, Don Eubanks** and **Fred Grisa** for their donations of cash, stamps and silver since the last issue of *The Silver Bugle.*

We are mailing **181 copies** of this issue. The good news is we have seven new members. The bad news is we've had to drop 30 members who failed to pay their dues. We'll try to get some of them back on the roster.

Membership in IASAC is $15 ($25 foreign), and renewals are $10 ($15 foreign) payable in January every year. Please send with a self-addressed stamped envelope to P.O. Box 28415, Seattle WA 98118. Include your **FREE 25-word classified ad**. The next deadline for advertisements is July 10, 2002.

WELCOME to new members:

517	**Harris H. Rusitzky**	Rochester NY	(Coin World)
518	**Clarence H. Foard**	Parkton MD	(Ken Potter)
519	**Mitchell Semer**	Folsom CA	(Phil & Vi Asher)
520	**Barda Silver Exchange**	Ord NE	(Jim Deffendall)
521	**Frans P. Carlson**	Brooklyn Park MN	(Coin World)
522	**Robert Leszczak**	Elizabeth NJ	(Coin World)
523	**Tyson White**	Rochester NY	(Mike Sprouse)



Winners will be selected from Correct answers postmarked On or Before July 6, 2002

Name_____

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Congratulations to **Donald Young, Lynnae Clark** and **Doug Jennings** for their winning entries in the last contest. All three found one state name that was deleted from the list of things to find. Bravo! They will receive bars donated by **Michael Sprouse** and a silver pin donated by **Steve Miller**. Thanks to everyone else who sent in an answer, including **Ray Kyler, Rita Jene Sledz, Patti Finner, Cecil Burton, Sandra Bearden, Mike Stanley, Don Barsi, Helen Tichy, Dick Dashiell, Vi & Phil Asher, Chuck Luce, Eric Cross**, and **Jerry Hall.** Try your hand at this new puzzle. The subject is June weddings. Good Luck!

June, wedding, nuptials, marriage, vows, pledge, troth, I do, minister, preacher, priest, church, chapel, aisle, love, kiss, diamond, ring, groom, tuxedo, usher, best man, toast, blushing, bride, white, gown, veil, garter, bouquet, flowers, maid of honor, cake, champagne, rice

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Who is Clarence L. Criswell?

By Stephanie O'Neil - Club Historian

How many of you know Clarence L. Criswell or have heard mention of his name? Why write an article regarding Clarence Criswell, some of you ask? Clarence was on the 1st advisory board for the Barkeeper's Club,* which was the first art bar club formed back in the early 1970's when the bar craze all started! Since he is an active member of IASAC (#136) I figured he should have some great input regarding historical information of the silver art bar industry during that time. I knew I wanted to know what Clarence has to say about the bar industry. As a result, I asked him for an email interview and he agreed!

Clarence was born in Oak Park, Illinois and lived in Florida for quite some time before settling down in Florence, South Carolina. A married man for some 44 years and the father of two sons, Clarence has accomplished much. He is Chairman of the Board for Pee Dee Christian Book & Supply Co. He is quite active as he and his oldest son collect pedal tractors and railroad lanterns. In fact, he and his son wrote *Criswell's Pedal Tractor Guide*, the full color work on cast aluminum pedal tractors. Now that is certainly an accomplishment Mr. Criswell!

Since Clarence collected silver bars, he decided to join the Barkeepers Club and was one of nine appointed to the 1st Advisory Board by their president, Mr. Wil Cranford. The club lasted several years. Several more clubs were formed but "came and went" according to Mr. Criswell.

Clarence started collecting bars before they started making the 1-oz. pieces in quantity. He had the old Foster sets plus some foreign cast bars. He even contacted all the silver refineries around the world and had them cast a small (5 to 10 oz.) bar for him. He sold a large number of his bars and still has a remainder. His favorites were the studio bars by H. Alvin Sharpe. "Mr. Sharpe was an engraver and hand-cut his own steel dies. He would strike his studio bars by hand on hand-rolled blanks."

Clarence established the Carolina Mint. I asked him how that came to pass. "There were four bars made: Grover Criswell, Chet Krause, Save our Panama Canal and the Citadel. Citadel was my college, Grover was my brother, Chet was a good friend and we did not need to give away the Panama Canal. The dies were hand-cut and sent off to be struck. They would harden the steel and strike the bars."

Who is Clarence Criswell (cont.)

I asked Clarence to elaborate on the silver bar industry from back in the 1970's. Here's what he had to say: "Profit driven!!! The dealers jumped on this bandwagon and rode it to death. Anything and everything that could be in a bar and sold was fair game. It was a craze that lasted for a few years and when they could not sell big amounts at a profit, most left the field. Some who did betters bars and mow mintage really liked to do them for collectors and that is what it has been for the last 10 to 15 years."

I asked Clarence what he thought about the silver surge in 1980 due to the Hunt brothers and this was his reply: "In the period from 1981-83, I worked for a gold and silver exchange in Florence, SC and we purchased and melted thousands of ounces of silver. The spike in silver brought out vast amounts of silver and many bars were melted. It really changed the bar collecting for many years. With the present price, it make it fun to collect again."

Amen to that Mr. Criswell!

**New member Frans P. Carlson was a member of the Barkeeper's Club. He still uses the club logo rubber stamp on his envelopes!*

Did you know?

By Stephanie O'Neil
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When IASAC was formed in 1985, the club had approximately 65 members. By December of 1985, there were 150 paid members. Currently we have 181 members.

The 1st annual IASAC convention was held in 1985 at the Sahara Hotel in Las Vegas.

The Eagle's Nest

By Stephanie O'Neil ~ Club Historian

When one reads or hears about an eagle's nest, one certainly would not relate it to silver – but silver it is. The Eagle's Nest is a catchy name for a six-piece dated set (1969), 19 ¼ ounces of .999 fine silver, including a 2 ½ ounce round (FC-6), 5 ounce round (FC-9), 10 ounce octagon (FC-7), one-ounce rectangle (FC-1), 1/4 ounce (FC-5) and ½ ounce square (FC-8).

Foster Company of Walla Walla, Washington produced dated bars beginning in 1969. They produced a one-ounce dated bar in 1971 (FC-3) and in 1972 produced FC-4 along with an undated one-ounce bar (FC-2) which was not listed until the *2nd Edition Guidebook* was printed. These three pieces were not made part of the Eagle's Nest.

The mint titled, boxed and sold the 1969 six-piece set in 1977 and offered type 1 and type 2 varieties. Silver Sales, Inc. distributed type 1 reverse and Hercaimy Enterprises distributed type 2 reverse.

Mintage is unknown of both type 1 and type 2 boxed Eagle's Nest sets as well as individual pieces. I read where the ten-ounce octagon (FC-7) was listed as "very scarce" back in 1978 and FC-8, a ½ ounce silver Eagle was listed as "scarce." That same year the ten-ounce alone sold for $95. The *Fifth Edition* values type 1 ten-ounce at $125, and type 2 at $145.

I was pleased to pick up a type 1 boxed set of 'The Silver Eagles' Nest' a few months back. What thrills me is these pieces were dated and made back in 1969, a time what a total of only 44 bars were made according to my count in the *5th Edition Guidebook*, and long before art bars came into play.

I wonder how many Eagles' Nest sets are still around and intact today?

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AM 2	Crisis in New York	$12.00
BGM 9	The Peacock	$20.00
EJA 21G	Summer - GP - 2 Oz	$40.00
CEM 18EN	Labor Day 1974 - Enamel	$18.75
CEM 22	Cameo - Facing Right	$40.00
CEM 22V	Cameo - Variety - Facing Left	$40.00
CEM 25EN	Independence Day 1974 - Enamel	$18.75
CEM 29EN	I Love You in Four Languages	$18.75
CEM 46	GO GO Bar Girl	$7.95
CEM 47	Labor Day 1973	$7.95
CEM 52	Women's Lib 1973	$7.95
CEM 52CE	Women's Lib 1973 - Cancelled	$21.50
CEM 55EN	Happy Birthday - Enamel	$20.00
CP 1E	Halley's Comet	$25.00
COL 4	Marilyn	$22.50
COL 9	Roberto Clememte	$18.00
COL 19C	Secretariat - Cancelled	$30.00
CGSF 2	Emperor Norton	$9.95
DM 11	Chattanooga Choo Choo	$12.00
GSM 2	The Shrinking Dollar	$12.00
GSM 4	Fuel Shortage 74	$12.00
GRA 1	Angel of Liberty	$12.00
ZM 1	Nobody's Perfect	$16.00
MOTA 4	Charlie Chaplin	$22.50
MOTA 9	Jimmy Durante	$29.95
TRG 1-0	Roy Rogers-Dale Evans-Two Side	$35.00
TRG 12	Emmett Kelly	$35.00
TRG 14	John Wayne	$35.00
TRG 21	Budweiser Clydesdales	$55.00
TRG 33	Ronald Reagan	$45.00
GCM 4	King of Rock 'N' Roll	$35.00
GCM 15	Elvis Lives	$60.00
HAM 389	Grand Canyon	$8.95
HAM 419	Totem Bright Site, Alaska	$8.95
HAM 622	John Audubon	$8.95
HAM 632G	Boeing 747 - GP	$9.95
HAM 640G	Spitfire - GP	$9.95
HAM 644G	P-51 Mustang - GP	$9.95
HAM 652G	Lockheed 1011 - GP	$9.95
HAM 658G	Curtis NC-4 - GP	$9.95
HAM 662G	D H. Comet - GP	$9.95
HAM 669G	Dornier DO-X - GP	$9.95
HAM 670G	Bendix Air Races - GP	$9.95
HAM 677G	ME 109 - GP	$9.95
ISIC 8	Patriotic Pandas	$12.00
ISIC 20	Cat and the Fiddle	$15.00
ISIC 22	The Devil s Triangle	$15.00
ISIC 31	Concord	$18.00
LIBI 1	Yankee Stadium	$25.00
LIN 1	Comet Kohoutek	$15.00
KEN 13	Dwight D Eisenhower - 20 grams	$6.00
MAD 89	Bob Hope	$20.00
MAD 92V	The Knight	$15.00
MAD 92	The Rook	$15.00
MAD 94	The King	$15.00
MAD 97	The Pawns	$15.00
MAD 137	Minuteman - 1/4 Oz	$7.00
MAD 138	Indian Head - 1/4 Oz	$7.00
MAD 138A	Buffalo - 1/4 Oz	$7.00
MAD 211V	Gemini	$7.95
MAD 257	Paul "Bear" Bryant	$15.00
MAR 1	Kitty Hawk	$15.00
MAS 3	Golden Nugget Casino	$12.50
BIG D	JR'S Texas Silver	$12.50
MLM 1C	First Love - Cancelled	$18.00
MLM 24C	Coin Press - Cancelled	$18.00
MEM 11	The Quarter Horse	$12.50
MEM 49	The Pyramids of Egypt	$12.50
PAT 4	Sitting Bull	$8.95
SCL 16	Babe Ruth - Frontal	$15.00
SCL 18	Will Rogers	$15.00
SM 5	Space Mission - Columbia	$22.50
SM 6	Royal Wedding	$30.00
SM 33	Voyager	$18.00
SM 39	Hawaii 25th Anniversary	$20.00
SM 41	Brooklyn Bridge Centennial	$20.00
ST 56	Lake Tahoe - Harvey's	$15.00
TM 53V	Clowning Around	$12.00
TM 58EN	The Flasher - Enamel	$25.00
TM 58V	The Flasher	$12.00
USSC 53	Save the Grizzly	$35.00
USSC 133	De Haviland D.H.4	$9.95
USSC 149	Womens' Liberation	$9.95
USSC 276	The Mobile Stud	$35.00
USSC 277	The Lovers	$40.00
WWM 59	Louisville	$29.95
WWM 64	Norfolk	$29.95
WWM 74	Birmingham	$29.95
WWM 78	Buffalo	$29.95
WWM 116	Jackson, TN	$29.95

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From the Mailbag

We receive comments, questions and friendly greetings from members and others. Here is a sampling of these letters.

D. V. Bryant of Dallas writes, "Concerning R. Rush's classified ad concerning art bars. For those of us without access to the Internet, it would help to have a mailing address if we had items he needs."

D.V. also had this note about **Stephanie O'Neil's** column from the April issue titled, 'Some Oddities in Silver': "In the early '80's, 1-oz. bars were not always available due to the rising price of silver. I purchased a 1-oz, round inscribed 'Swiss of America.' It is 5/8" thick and about the same circumference of a 25-cent piece-24mm. The obverse is inscribed 'Golden West' at the top and 'Teton' at the bottom. Between these words is a scene of a road through a mountain range. Very good art work. From the time frame, you know I paid a lot more than $4 or $5."

D. J. Smith comments, "Here is my 2002 dues. Sorry I'm late. I thought I mailed it last issue but a review of the 'ole checkbook said no. Still always enjoy the *Bugle*."

Ron Ulrich sent this postcard of the Neil Armstrong Air & Space Museum in Wapakoneta, Ohio. The museum will issue two Special postal covers for the 30th anniversary of the moon landing, with a museum medallion in it. Ron doesn't know the price, but you can call the museum at 419-738-8811.

Chuck Luce writes, "In regard to damaged *Bugles*, I average one mangled issue and two torn covers a year."

From the Mailbag...

Michael Turrini sends notice of the 6th Annual Contra Costa Coin Show to be held on Sunday, Nov. 17 in Concord, California. For more information, please contact Mr.Turrini by email at EMPERORI@juno.com. **Mike Stanley** and **Turrini** were recently honored as "Fellows' by the Diablo Numismatic Society for their years of service to that club. Each was presented with a specially engraved neck ribbon medal and small plaque at the Society's annual anniversary banquet in March.

Sandy Bearden of Fairfield, CA writes, "*The Silver Bugle* was very interesting and informative to read. You all did a marvelous job, as always. (Husband) John retired December 24, 2001. We are working toward getting the coin shop in Fairfield started in September. 'A Fine Coin Shop' will be the name and we will keep you informed of our grand opening. We plan on offering coins, silver bars, gold, jewelry, sports cards, coin supplies, etc. It take a lot of planning and it's going to be fun."

Douglas Vining says, "Glad to see 'Cinci' as the annual meeting site. That's about a four-hour drive for me. I am in the process of arranging time off at work now. I also have a few bars I would like to donate. I had major knee and wrist surgery in March, but will be ready to go in a few months. Thanks to everyone involved in the club. It is appreciated."

New member **Frans Carlson** writes, "In the 1970's I belonged to the Bar Keeper's Club. Do you know what happened to them?
See Stepanie O'Neil's article on Clarence Criswell in this issue.

Recent orders of the 5th Edition *An Indexed GuideBook of Silver Art Bars* by **Donald Eubanks**, **Mike Sprouse** and others had depleted our supply until we found two or three more. When these are gone, that will be it! All book sales benefit the club.

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SOLANO SILVER ROUND CLUB
Second Medal In 'TR' Series
Remembering Our 26th President
THEODORE ROOSEVELT

The Solano Silver Round Club is now accepting prepaid orders for it's second medal in it's two medal series on Theodore Roosevelt.

The medal is a portrait of 'TR' dressed as a Rough Rider, designed by Dennis Lotspeich an SSRC and fellow IASAC Member, of Rancho Palos Verdes, CA. The reverse of the medal is the Solano Silver Round Club logo of Sam Yeto Indian, Chief Solano, for whom Solano County is named.

The medals will be struck in one ounce of .999 fine silver, unnumbered. No off-metal medals will be struck. Medals will be priced at $20.00 each, with a flat $3.00 fee for mailer, postage, and insurance, regardless of the number of medals one orders. Payment by check or money order will be accepted made payable to 'SSRC'.

Orders <u>must</u> be postmarked by July 1, 2002. Expected delivery date is around September 1, 2002.

Send orders to: Michael S. Turrini, Medals Coordinator, Solano Silver Round Club, P.O. Box 4104, Vallejo, CA 94590-0410.

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NEW ISSUES

The Rochester Numismatic Association has struck a limited edition medal bearing a design originally intended to mark the club's 700th meeting in 1943, but which was 'postponed' by World War II. The medal's original inscription has been changed to read 'Ninety Years.' Organized in 1912, the club has recorded more than 1800 bi-monthly meetings. The 90th anniversary rounds are available in 1-ounce, .999 fine silver for $15 ppd. Write to RNA, P.O. Box 10056, Rochester NY 14610-0056.

The Texas Numismatic Association is offering a medal featuring Jose Antonio Navarro, who was important in Texas' colonization and independence. The limited edition set of one antiqued bronze and one .999 fine silver costs $34.50. To order, make checks payable to Texas Numismatic Association and write to Frank Galindo at P.O. Box 12217, San Antonio, TX 78212-0217.

Map of Australia $1 coins are a world first. The Perth Mint strikes them from pure silver in the shape of Australia. Each of the four coins has a color cameo of Matthew Flinders. Flinders sailed the *HMS Investigator* into the port of Sydney in 1802. These coins mark the 200th anniversary of that discovery. Mintage is limited to 2500. For ordering information write to Downie's, Ltd., 4533 MacArthur Blvd. #888, Newport Beach CA 92660.

Common reverse of the four coins, with a portrait of Queen Elizabeth II

Obverse of one coin, showing the Port of Sydney and a portrait of Flinders

Just Humor Me

Subject: Top Morons

1. WILL THE REAL DUMMY PLEASE STAND UP? AT&T fired President John Walter after nine months, saying he lacked intellectual leadership. He received a $26 million severance package. Perhaps it's not Walter who's lacking intelligence.
2. WITH A LITTLE HELP FROM OUR FRIENDS: Police in Oakland, California spent two hours attempting to subdue a gunman who had barricaded himself inside his home. After firing ten tear gar canisters, officers discovered that the man was standing beside them in the police line, shouting "Please come out and give yourself up."
3. WHAT WAS PLAN B? An Illinois man, pretending to have a gun, kidnapped a motorist and forced him to drive to two different automated teller machines, wherein the kidnapper proceeded to withdraw money from his own bank accounts.
4. THE GETAWAY! A man walked into a Topeka, Kansas Kwik Stop and asked for all the money in the cash drawer. Apparently, the take was too small, so he tied up the store clerk and worked the counter himself for three hours until police showed up and grabbed him.
5. DID I SAY THAT? Police in Los Angeles had good luck with a robbery suspect who just couldn't control himself during a lineup. When detectives asked each man in the lineup to repeat the words, "Give me all your money or I'll shoot," the man shouted, "That's not what I said!"
6. ARE WE COMMUNICATING? A man spoke frantically into the phone, "My wife is pregnant and her contractions are only two minutes apart!" "Is this her first child?" the doctor asked. "No!" the man shouted, "This is her husband!"
7. NOT THE SHARPEST TOOL IN THE SHED! In Modesto, California, Steven Richard King was arrested for trying to hold up a Bank of American branch without a weapon. King used a thumb and a finger to simulate a gun, but unfortunately, he failed to keep his hand in his pocket.

From the Mailbag.....

We received a letter from a woman named **Irene Frank** of Durango, Colorado, telling about her unfortunate experience with a precious metals dealer named Brett Bogus of Eagle Numismatics in Humble, Texas. In October 2000, he agreed to pay her $55,570 for an assortment of gold coins, and at this time still owes $22,250 and is refusing to pay. If you'd like to read the entire letter, please write Nancy for a copy.
P O Box 28415, Seattle WA 98118

Please delete the following names from your rosters & if you know any of these former members, encourage them to re-join:

008 Eugene Daley
144 John Sodl, Jr.
180 Craig McCulloch
300 Vincent Filippone
313 Paul Siebach
377 Natalie Herr
466 Mimi Radley
470 Larry C. Plank
473 Bruce V. Hicks
480 Ron Clinton
483 Gary Householder
486 Garry W. McKinney
491 Robert C. Murphy
496 James F. McEssy
498 Lewis Q. Ramsey
139 Edward Sneckenberg
159 Gerald Scherer
274 Jack Hudson
311 Charles Rego
325 John & Nancy Wilson
403 Willard Coin Exchange
469 Ray Anthony
472 Dick Armstrong
478 Rick Meyer
482 Joe Thurman
484 Pam Allen
488 Bruce E. Rawson
492 Janel Brown
497 Gordon T. Muckler
499 Steve's Coins

CLUB AUCTION

We need some silver Art Bars & Rounds for our Annual Auction held during our annual Show. Any donations will be appricated. We need them ASAP so they can be pictured in the next Bugle. Send them to Nancy. Thank you.

CLASSIFIED ADS

WANTED: **Statue of Liberty** silver rounds and bars. IASAC-3, INTER-1, IUI-1, LIBERTY-1. Bob Brown, 6305-157th St., Oak Forest IL 60452.

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1976 Guidebook of Franklin Mint issues – crisp mint condition in original mailer - $25 includes postage. Patti Finner, Box 296, Iola WI 54945.

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An Indexed Guide Book to Silver Art Bars, Fifth Edition (1991) and 1993 update. $35.00 postpaid. Make checks payable to IASAC, P.O. Box 28415, Seattle WA 98118.

SEND your FREE 25-word ad (for all members with on-time dues paid) and fill this space. The next advertising deadline is July 10, 2002. Mail to P.O. Box 28415, Seattle WA 98118.

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Yes, I would like to join the largest Silver Art Club in the world. Please enroll me as a member of IASAC.

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